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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 23, 2001, said period of response being extended from February 23, 2002 to May 23, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$920.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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